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Michael,

As we discussed on the phone on Monday, here is our account of the helicopter crash on Saturday, July 16 at approximately 7:20 pm at our ranch located at 988 US Hwy 84 - south of Romeroville/Las Vegas.

John's observations:

I was cooking dinner outside our home when the helicopter flew directly over our campfire. The helicopter sounded OK but was flying very slowly above me heading west.

Paige's observations:

My sister-in-law, Kelly Nelson, and I drove out to the bluff on the west side of the ranch to take photos of the view and the sunset. We heard a very loud engine noise coming from behind us on the left and kept watching to see what it was. A helicopter came into view and we noticed that it was flying slowly, quite low and directly straight ahead. The engine noise was loud and didn't sound right. I did not hear the repetitive whirring sound that I usually associate with a helicopter's blades spinning. I cannot say if they were or were not spinning, the sound may have been drowned out by the loud engine noise, I don't know. I personally only saw the pilot and noticed that he was sitting quite upright. I wondered if he had maybe had a stroke or heart attack, but he was not resting on the dash area nor slumped over.


We watched the helicopter quickly lose altitude and noticed that there was no movement left or right, only a direct descent down

toward the earth. The helicopter cleared the river and crashed into the ground on the other side of the river. There were no flames nor an explosion, only a large plume of dust that rose up and drifted to the right of the site of impact (maybe north/northeast) that quickly dissipated. I quickly called 911 and took a photo of the location to aid with recovery efforts (this was at 7:20 pm). I was unable to name the county road, though, so went back to the house to ask my father. We then called 911 back to provide more details and pulled up Google Earth to aid with directions.


We have attached photographs as well as the Google Earth screenshots. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any additional questions.

Regarding the photos, the date and time are incorrect (I haven't used this camera in over a year, probably, so I did not think to reset). Photos 825-829 are just before the helicopter sighting; Photo 830 is seconds after impact and would align with the call to 911 at 7:20 pm; Photos 831-840 are just for frame of reference on location, lighting, etc.

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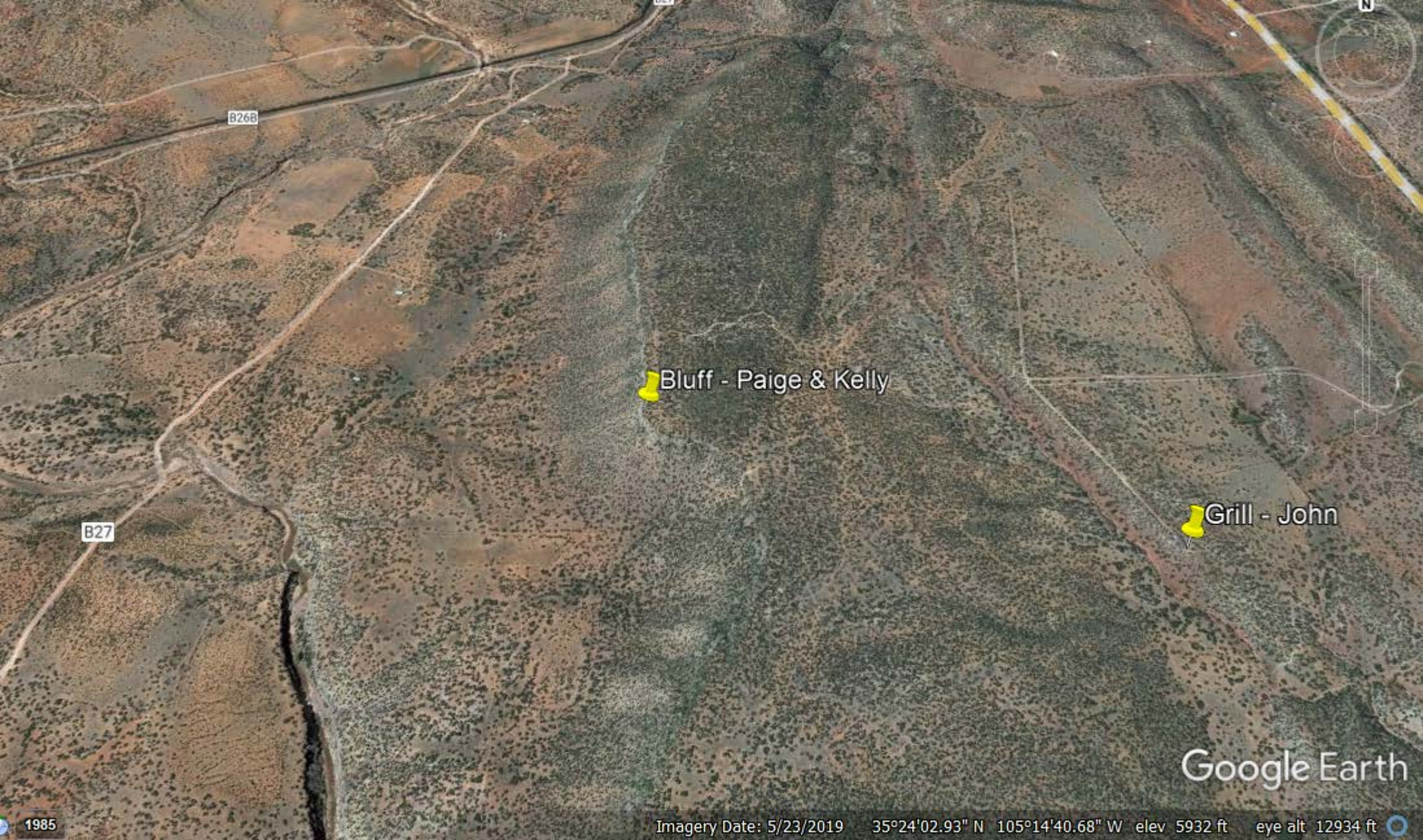
John Mazurek



Paige Mazurek









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 Bluff - Paige & Kelly

 Grill - John

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Imagery Date: 5/23/2019 35°24'02.93" N 105°14'40.68" W elev 5932 ft eye alt 12934 ft